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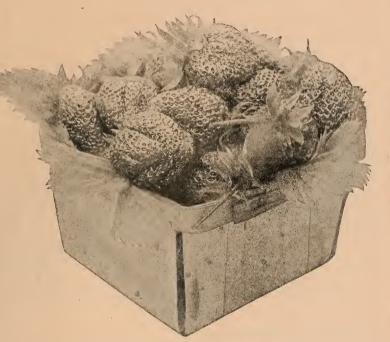
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## STRAWBERRY PLANTS

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HALL'S TRUE-TO-NAME PLANTS ARE SURE TO GROW AND PRODUCE BIG CROPS

## J. KEIFFORD HALL Rhodesdale, Maryland

I HAVE UNSURPASSED FACILITIES FOR PROMPT AND SAFE SHIPMENTS
TO ALL POINTS. ALWAYS SECURE THE LOWEST RATE POSSIBLE.

### To My Friends and Customers

APPRECIATE the fact that the time has arrived for the presenting of my 1916 catalog of Small Fruits, etc. I want to thank my customers, both old and new for their liberal patronage both in spring and fall of 1915. I do sincerely appreciate the confidence that was bestowed upon me by the many cutsomers in 1915. I also thank those that recommended me to their friends and neighbors.

Again I am ommitting all cuts as pictures are very often misleading.

I appreciate the fact that many catalogs will fall in the hands of friends that have not as yet purchased any stock of me. If you will do so this spring or fall I feel sure that when you purchase of me once and receive my True-to-Name, deep rooted, drought resisting and free from disease plants you will be a permanent customer, for they are sure to grow and produce large crops. Be wise and give me your order this spring or fall and join the many prosperous farmers that are planting Hall's true to name plants exclusively.

My plants are guaranteed A No. 1, in every respect, therefore you are running no risk whatever in placing your order with me.

All stock shipped by me is inspected and shipped under the laws of the different states.

I hope this will be a welcome visitor to the homes of my many friends and customers. I fully appreciate the fact that I must secure the confidence of the public if I am to succeed and I know of no better way than to treat every customer square and give him his moneys worth of A No. 1 stock.

It is indeed gratifying to me to read the many testimonials in praise of my plants and their superiority over plants purchased of other firms and nurserymen.

Thanking you again for your liberal patronage in 1915 and assuring you that all customers in the future will be treated with the same courtesy as in the past.

Yours respectfully.

#### J. Keifford Hall.

Rhodesdale, Maryland.

# Certificate of Aursery Inspection

To Whom It May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 23d day of August 1915, we examined the Nursery Stock of J. Keifford Hall growing in his nurseries at Rhodesdale, County of Dorchester, State of Maryland, in accordance with the law of Maryland 1898, Chapter 289, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so for as can be determined by inspection, from the San Jose Scale, Peach yellows, Pear Blight and other dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases.

This Certificate is invalid after August 1st, 1916, and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

Thos. B. Symons, State Entomologist J. B. S. Norton, State Pathologist

### Please Read Carefully

LL of my plants are grown on a light sandy loam, which makes the plant roots bright and long. When properly planted they will stand the drouth and continue to grow. I grow my own stock and do not dig until ordered, this makes them fresh. My plants are put in the best condition possible, by experienced hands. I claim I send to my customers as good plants as can be procured of any nurseryman in this country, and the many testimonials that I receive is convincing evidence. Give me your order and become a yearly customer.

I do not attempt to grow all the varieties that are grown; I try to grow the ones that I can honestly recommend to the public. Please do not order plants that I have not listed unless you will allow me to substitute.

MY MOTTO. Once a customer always a customer.

PARCELS POST. My mail package is so light, and yet substantial, that I can deliver plants to your door in perfect shape, and I don't believe there are any better plants to be obtained anywhere.

BY FREIGHT. I ship plants this way, but it is always with the understanding that it is at purchasers risk.

PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, but orders will be booked and held, provided a remittance is enclosed with order, and when balance is paid order will be forwarded.

C. O. D. ORDERS will be accepted and promptly filled, but when made out for a large order, a part of the money must accompany order, or satisfactory reference given.

SUBSTITUTION. It is not always possible for us to have plants of all the varieties we have listed, late in the season, but if allowed we can often substitute a better variety and thus save time, which is very important. Please indicate in order if you object to substitution. If you don't we will take it for granted that substitution is satisfactory.

REFERENCE [By permission]. Cashier Farmers Bank of Somerset county, Marion Station, Md., Postmaster, Marion Station, Md., Mr. E. T. Landon, Marion Station, Md.

NURSERY INSPECTION. Copy of certificate attached to each shipment.

STRAWBERRIES should be grown by every person who has a rod of ground. They can be produced on almost any soil, and there is no fruit so delicious or healthful. If you had no Strawberries on your table last year, don't repeat the loss this season.

HOW BEST TO REMIT. By registered letter, bank draft, check to my order, postoffice money order or express money order.

LOOK. I do not dig plants before order is received, neither spring or fall.

CUSTOMERS. Your order, when received, will be shipped as prompt as possible, so if your order is delayed a few days, you can rest assured that I am rushed and will get your order out at first opportunity; I believe in prompt shipments.

SHIPPING SEASON. In fall from August 20th to November 30th, Spring from February 1st to May 10th. It frequently happens that I can furnish plants to Southern customers all through the winter, note a time when the ground is not frozen.

**TESTIMONIALS.** For the lack of space I am only useing a few of the many testimonials. Be sure and read them.

Guarantee. All plants are guaranteed to be true to name, and I will replace any plants found otherwise, but in no case will I be responsible for damage beyond first cost. Safe arrival of all plants sent by mail or express.

Nurserymen & Dealers. Send me your Want List. If you want something that will please your customers, you need not go any further. I guarantee you a square deal.

## A Few Remarks About Hall's True-to-Name Plants

An important thing, to my mind is to grow good, healthy, true-to-name, free of disease stock. I ship only such plants that I would be willing to plant myself, therefore, I feel that they will please you. My one object is to please all customers whether their orders are large or small. All plants are packed or examined by me before leaving my packing shed for shipment.

It is a great disappointment to berry growers after planting, cultivating and fertilizing to find their plants mixed when they begin to gather the fruit. You can absolutely avoid this by securing your plants of me. My life's experience in the business has fitted me so that I can tell the different varieties at a glance and detect the mixed ones if there should be any present.

I have never had a complaint of any proving otherwise. I have lots of customers every year complaining of the fact that they have bought plants elsewhere but cannot get them TRUE-TO-NAME. If you have been unfortunate in this way, you can avoid it by securing your future orders of me.

I do not claim to be infallible and should a mistake occur it is mutually agreed that I will not be held responsiable beyond first cost.

My plants are A No. 1. They are grown from plants that were set in early spring of 1915 and not allowed to fruit. I dig entire row in filling orders, the parent and all inferior ones are discarded and nothing but healthy, well-rooted, live plants that are true to name are shipped. The plants are tied in bunches of 26 for 25. I make boxes or packages as light as possible and exercise great care in packing, useing plenty of moss of the best grade, which insures safe delivery of live plants.

## Description of Varieties

Klondyke Of Southern origin and a standard berry. Productive, firm, brilliantly colored and famous in all markets as a shipper. It is so firm that it is used as a reshipper. A great plant maker; blossoms perfect. It has been planted very extensively for the past few years and it is growing more popular every day.

Superior. This variety has become quite popular in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina. The plants are strong, healthy growers, with dark green foliage, and do well in almost any soil. It is a great plant maker, and should be kept thin and planted a good distance apart. It bears an immense load of berries, medium in size, bright glossy red, firm and a good keeper. Ripens about one week after Excelsior, and continues bearing until mid-summer.

Abington. This berry was originated by Mr. Blanchard of Massachusetts, who says it is a berry to take the place of Bubach. It is a better plant maker; the blossom is perfect and hardy; it sends up more fruit stalks and more fruit on each stalk, and ripens in same season. Give it a trial.

Lady Thompson. This is a great Southern berry, and is grown largely in the Southern states for market. It makes strong, healthy plants that produce large crops of medium large berries.

**Ewell's Early.** I find it very productive of early, medium to large berries. It is a strong grower, as early as Excelsior, with larger fruit and more productive.

**Excelsior.** Medium size, very productive and firm, and ships well. Not so popular for the home garden owing to its extreme tart, but the fruit is highly colored and flavored, and when fully ripe, are of excellent quality. The standard for earliness by which all others are compared.

Kellogg's Prize. This is a pistillate variety and is claimed to cover a long season. The originator describes it as follows: "Kellogg's Prize continued to bear a little later than the Sample and Stevens' Late Champion, and was the last to be found on the vines. It was the remark of some of my customers that they did not know that Strawberries grew so large. If the public knew of the value of this variety the demand for plants could not be supplied. The berry is very highly colored, with golden seeds, the rich color extending to the center; flavor delicious, the cap is ample and in harmony with the size of the berries."

Oswego. Midseason. Large, firm, productive, and a reliable market berry; excellent quality.

Climax. Early, has been widely planted, and has given the best of results; it is exceedingly productive and has a long season; fruit very large, red in color to the center.

Maples' Early I introduced this variety in the spring of 1911. It is indeed a great commercial berry. It is early very productive and a good plant maker of medium large plants. Berries large and attractive; noted for its firmness; color a dark red all through with an exceptional hard core; single cap, medium long and round. Season of ripening with Klondyke. The main feature of this great berry is when you pick it three times you have the whole crop. It ripens very early from the blossom. The bearing stems are large which holds the fruit off the ground; blossoms rich in pollen and perfect to plant with pistillate varieties. Plant a beautiful green and makes a splendid foliage which never shows any sign of rust.

**Pride of Michigan.** Midseason. Produces immense crops of very large berries on almost any soil, and in any climate that will produce corn.

Pride of Cumberland. Originated in Cumberland county, New Jersey, about twelve years ago. It took first premium over all other varieties at the Strawberry Fair in Vineland, N. J., where it was greatly admired for its large and uniform size, resembling the Gandy. Compared with the Gandy it is a week or more earlier in ripening, of the same large size and regular shape, with large cap and deep red color, that makes it very showy in appearance, and is unexcelled for shipping. The blossom is perfect; the plant is vigorous, free from rust and remarkably productive. Pride of Cumberland is the plant for business. Most of all the fruit is held off the ground by strong bearing stems, which is very much in its favor. My plants are fine.

Wilson. An old standard variety. Very productive of medium large berries of good quality. Good plant maker of large plants.

Rewastico. The Rewastico is a highly colored, large cardinal red berry, and the color penetrates through and through; it is very productive, and in size is uniformly large; it is as perfect and uniform in shape as if turned out of a mould. It makes an abundance of strong healthy plants with vigorous dark green foliage. The berry is rich, with an aromatic Strawberry flavor, though somewhat tart, but firm enough to make a popular market shipper. A very prominent grower says he considers it the only real competitor the Chesapeake has ever had, and in some respects it even surpasses it.

Chipman. Originated in Sussex county, Delaware, by a grower of thirty years' experience in strawberry growing. The plants are strong, upright, large and healthy growers. The fruit is very large and early. Foliage tall, broad, bright, glossy green, that has never shown any sign of rust or disease. It has a strong, perfect blossom, and is a good variety to plant with pistillate varieties. It has a large green cap of even size and shape, succeeds well in light or heavy soil, and it is predicted that it will soon become one of the leading commercial varieties.

Dear Sir:

I was very much pleased with the last lot of berry plants you shipped me. Will you please send me at once, five thousand more for which I enclose check.

Yours truly, The Edgewater Farms Co.

Son's Prolific I purchased this berry in Missouri in the spring of 1912. It originated from Bubach fertilized with Aroma. The parentage is plainly shown in both the plant and berry, very firm and a good shipper; root growth heavy, very fibrous and deep; foliage rich, glossy and in proportion to the heavy root system; runners very stocky and plants set about like Aroma; fruit stems very numerous, long, large and upright. All blossoms mature perfect fruit, berries a darker red than Aroma, large in size and no green tips, ripens all over at once which is very much in its favor. It is predicted that it will supersede the Aroma. I really believe it worthy of trial. I have a fine lot of plants that are true to name, let your order come.

Bethel. Quite popular in some sections while in others it does not give satisfaction. It ripens with the second early varieties and continues in bearing a long time. It makes good plant beds on any soil, yet it does not make as many plants as some varieties but they are of large size with tall, broad, thick foliage and heavy deep roots. It is quite productive of large dark-red firm berries of good quality.

Heritage. Originated in New Jersey and is popular with commercial growers. It does not make as many plants as some varieties but they are extra large with tall, green foliage and succeed on any soil. It ripens medium early and is very productive; large, of even size and shape; color a beautiful crimson and of fine quality. Give it a trial, my plants are fine.

Joe Johnson. This great berry has been grown in Wicomico county, this state several years, but was only introduced to the public last spring. It begins to ripen with the Chesapeake and will bring the grower more money to the acre than this very popular berry. It produces more quarts than the Chesapeake and will make a much better bed of plants. This berry brought the top notch prices on the market last season.

Uncle Jim. The plants of this variety are very large, vigorous and healthy. They mature all their fruit which is of very large size; firm deep red and of the best flavor.

Parsons' Beauty. One that may be depended upon to produce a large crop of fruit every season. The plants are splendid growers on any soil and without a sign of disease. The fruit is large, conical, uniform shape, dark red and fair quality. Largely planted by commercial growers on account of its vigor and productiveness.

Dear Sir: Remsenburg, N. Y., Nov. 11, 1915.

The plants I bought of you this year, have as usual been very satisfactory, and I thank you for your prompt and careful service in filling my orders. I expect to buy a good many plants of you in the coming year.

Yours truly, Harry L. Squires.

Lady Corneille. This new Strawberry hails from Louisiana and is destined to become the leading Southern Strawberry and is claimed to be better than the Klondyke which is saying a great deal. The Klondyke for a long time was the leading Southern berry but as soon as the growers become acquainted with the Lady Corneille they will plant it as it is much more productive than the Klondyke and the berry and plant are ideal in every way. The fruit begins to ripen with the Klondyke but continues in bearing longer. The berries are large, rich glossy red, slightly long, uniform in size and shape, with bright golden seeds which add to their beauty. Quality of the best, having the true Strawberry flavor, rich, sweet and delicious, the berries are very firm and one of the best shippers known. This one quality alone would make it a very valuable berry for the grower a long distance from market. The Lady Corneille has the size, color, shape, appearance, firmness and produteveness which we have all been wanting in an early berry.

Dear Sir:

Kissimmee, Fla., Nov. 18, 15.

During the past two years I have ordered thousands of strawberry plants from you both for myself and other members of our union. I take this opportunity of telling you that in every instance they gave splendid satisfaction. They have always been vigorous, well rooted plants, growing off rapidly as soon as they were set out. I especially commend your method of packing plants for shipment. There is no possible chance for them to dry out as they are well covered with damp moss, and look fresh and green when this is removed. I am always glad to say a good word for you and always recommend your plants to those who want the best. Wishing you much success, I remain.

Very truly yours,

S. T. Fansler, Pres., Kissimmee Produce Union.

Dec. 1, 15. The Lady Corneille are doing fine. They grew off rapidly and are now blooming freely with many large berries on them and some turning red.

S. T Fansler

Tennessee Prolific. A fine, healthy plant, that is well known and extensively planted to fertilize Bubach, Sample and other imperfect varieties. Always productive; quality fair. Under fair treatment, it produces fine, large fruit—a good berry for a short haul to market.

Ryckman. Awarded highest prize at the Buffalo Exposition in 1901, and has been thoroughly tested since. One of the largest berries; ripens early. It is in the front ranks of strictly big berries. I sell as many or more of this berry than any other variety that I have listed. Try it.

Gandy. This plant is well known all over the United States and Canada. This is the standard of late varieties all over the country, and probably no higher compliment could be paid the variety than that all other late varieties are compared by it. It should be planted in dark loamy soil, if possible; otherwise, in chocolate or clay, or sandy mixed soil of a springy nature—never in dry, sandy land. It will not thrive in light, sandy soil. We have an excellent crop of very fine plants this season, and think we can please you if you are looking for a late variety, and would be pleased to receive your order.

#### YOU MAY USE THIS IF ANY GOOD TO YOU.

This is to certify that I have bought Strawberry plants of J. Keifford Hall, for years and I have found them True-to-Name. This spring I bought 26000 Missionary which were as good as any I ever set. I do not think anyone can make a mistake by ordering from him for prompt shipment and good plants.

Yours very truly, Jas. Strickland, December 6, 1915.

Lakeland, Fla.

Missionary. Hailed from the South. Plants vigorous, healthy and a strong grower and a great plant maker. Plants medium large, berries large, and hold their size well through the season. Is early, but not quite as early as Excelsion and Hoffman. It is an enormous bearer, firm and a good shipper. It is extensively planted here for market.

Mascot. Seedling of Sharpless and Gandy plants. Healthy and strong grower and free from disease. It will bear two berries to Gandy one and is of large size. Berries dark red; season of ripening, few days earlier than Gandy, firm and a good shipper. A great berry. No berry grower should be without it.

Early Ozark. Originated in Missouri—A cross between Aroma and Excelsior. It was in great demand last spring. After seeing this variety fruit I am thoroughly convinced it is a great early berry. Plants large and strong growers. The foliage is very thick and dark green, without a spot of rust or disease, and is exceedingly productive. Fifteen of these berries have been known to fill a quart basket rounding full. My stock of plants is large and exceedingly fine. Please place orders early. I want everybody to give them a trial.

Sample. An old variety that can always be depended upon. It is popular everywhere—a strong grower, with dark green leaves, and a good plant maker. The berries are large, and retain this size until all are gone. Color deep red; firm for distant shipping. It has a smooth, glossy appearance, and is one of the largest and most prolific of the medium late varieties. There is always a great demand for plants of this variety.

Three W's. This berry is a chance seedling, and possesses many points of excellence. The foliage is beautiful, clean and healthy, dark green in color and very attractive. Fruit large, glossy red, and firm, of good quality and very productive; covers a long season—from medium to late. At the St. Louis World's Fair it won the highest prize, and had a record of keeping ten days. My plants are very strong and healthy.

Dear Sir:

Wauchula, Fla., Nov, 8, 15.

The strawberry plants ordered of you Oct. 30th received today and they certainly are a very fine lot. I am well pleased with them, I notice you sent some extras for which I thank you.

Yours truly,

H. H. Watkins.

Stevens Late Champion. In plant growth this variety resembles the Gandy, except that it has a heavier and shorter fruit stem and is a much better plant maker. Healthy, vigorous and long rooted, nearly an ideal plant, and three times as productive as the Gandy. Fruit large and dark red in color; uniform in shape and size; very high in quality. This variety, with us, has proved to be as late in ripening as Gandy, and will prove a money-maker for those who want a late berry.

Aroma. This is a great Southern berry, especially Tennessee. It surely has the right name, for the flavor is beyond comparison, it is surely aromatic. Good plant maker. Very firm for long distance shipping; large roundish. Color deep red, which extends clear through. Late as Gandy but a better berry to my way of thinking. I have a fine lot of plants of this variety. As a table berry it cannot be excelled.

New York. If you want to become famous in the strawberry market, get some of our New York plants. They originated in the state of New York by Miss Yates. The berries are large, rather thick and of a bright red color. They are strictly fancy. Small berries, or berries of an inferior quality, can find no sale, no matter how cheap they are offered, beside the New York variety. The quality is excellent. They are very productive and have a large green cap, which stands up properly. The foliage is light green, with glossy surface leaves. The plant is large and very productive. A seedling of the Bubach and Jessie varieties. We have a large demand for the plant all over the country, wherever it is known. The berries have sold readily for 13 cents per quart in the Philadelphia market, when other varieties were slow at 5 and 7 cents.

Marshall. This is a great fancy berry for market. Plants large and strong; fruit of the richest flavor. It is a strictly fancy berry, of perfect shape dark crimson when fully ripe; quality excellent. Fourteen berries have been known to fill a quart basket.

Warfield. A well known standard variety; berries above medium size; medium early. Its great beauty, firmness and good flavor make it exceedingly popular, especially in the West. Productive and vigorous, good plant maker.

Helen Davis. Fruited here last season and it gave us a good crop of large, dark red berries of excellent quality. It has been thoroughly tested on all kinds of soil for several seasons and has never failed to produce a large crop of extra large berries when other well known varieties were almost an entire failure. It is not easily killed by frost and the fruit is produced in clusters on large, strong, fruit stalks, is perfectly formed, of large size, red to the center and of a highly delicious flavor unknown to any other variety.

McKinley. Unrivalled as a strawberry of high quality. Berries large, handsome and freely produced on strong, healthy plants. Ripens in mid-season and is too tender in texture to endure shipment. It is preeminently a variety for the home garden.

Fendall. Originated by Chas. E. Fendall, Baltimore county, Maryland. Plant strong, vigorous and healthy; foliage a beautiful light green. It has never shown the slightest blemish in any respect; berries very large and of fine flavor. It is very productive, berries lay in piles around the plant; good plant maker. The berries are beauties, rich in color, smooth and glossy, with long stems and a large showy cap. In 1906 it yielded at the rate of 16,800 quarts per acre. Give it a trial.

Chesapeake. It has been tested all over the country, and is very popular. Plants vigorous and do not rust. Foliage is thick and leathery, upright leaf stems with leaves almost round. The fruit is borne on large stems, the greater portion standing upright, holding the fruit from the ground. It bears more fruit to the single stem than any other variety I know. Blossom is perfect, fruit uniformly large, averaging more than Gandy and more productive, firmer and better quality, without the green tips, colors all over at once. Season of ripening same as Gandy.

Senator Dunlap. I have fruited this variety for several years. It has proven to be one of the best grown, some varieties may surpass it in some respects, but as an all-around berry it has few equals. The berry is adapted to all sections, as it seems to do well everywhere, more so than any other variety. Plants medium in size. A severe drouth seems to affect it much less than other standard varieties. It has a perfect blossom, rich with pollen, to plant with pistillate kinds. Enormously productive. Fruit medium to large, uniform in size, conical shape, bright, glossy red. The meat is a bright red all through, of excellent quality and a good shipper.

Oaks Early. Originated near Marion, Somerset county, Md., several years ago, and for some time only a few of them were planted outside of its home. The originator continued to plant it and made money. Now it has become very popular and is largely planted here for market, as elsewhere. It makes lots of vigorous plants, and is a heavy cropper of medium size berries. Very regular and uniform in size; good shipper; remains firm in wet weather.

Wm. Belt. Originated in Southern Ohio. Among the large size berries, none are more uniform in shape and size than this variety, except the first berries to ripen, which are usually coxcombed. It is very firm and of most excellent quality; color a beautiful glossy crimson. The fruit always brings the highest price in the market. The plant is a good thrifty grower, with strong roots and makes just enough plants for a good matted row, without crowding. It is better in quality, larger in size and is also more productive and a better grower than Bubach. It pays to put this variety on good soil and give good culture.

Dear Sir:

St. Joseph, Fla., April 2, 15.

The strawberry plants you sent me arrived in due time and to say I am pleased with them does not express it. They are better than I had hoped to get. Every plant has started to grow nicely.

Yours truly,

L. C. Reed.

Pride of Somerset. It is as early as Excelsior, good plant maker of large, healthy, deep rooted plants. Is a chance seedling and unlike most other very early varieties it has a long bearing stem which holds the fruit off the ground. Very productive of large berries. A great feature of this wonderful variety is that there are very few small berries as every blossom matures a large berry, nearly all one size. Color a beautiful red all through, ripens all over at once, no green tips; shape medium long and round; blossom perfect and rich in pollen; cap very large and green which shows off the berry nicely. Has never shown any sign of rust or disease; foliage very heavy, tall and thick. The past season it excelled all others as an early berry.

Jessie. Jessie ranks among the leaders with growers who want fancy strawberries and whose soil is adapted to its producion. Under right conditions it is one of the most satisfactory varieties produced by commercial growers. It is an extra heavy yielder of highest quality fruit and a good pollenizer.

**Brandywine.** Perfect blossom, medium late. This variety thrives in almost any soil and gives good results. Fruit well colored, bright glossy red, firm, of excellent quality and very productive. It has a bright double cap—an old and reliable variety.

Haverland. An old standard variety, which seems to do well everywhere. It never rusts or shows any blight. It is enormously productive. It should be mulched, as the fruit stems are not able to hold the fruit off the ground. It has an imperfect blossom, but is easy to fertilize; a good plant maker; berries long and conical and even shape. If you are in doubt as to what to plant, try some of these.

Gibson. A very productive mid-season variety from Michigan. The plant is a dark green and berries are dark red. A good one, try it.

Bismark. Fruit produced in abundance, outyielding Bubach. Shape obtuse, conical, never coxcombed; the heaviest, most solid berry ever grown or handled. Color bright scarlet, no green tips, very firm, good flavor, season medium to very late, larger in size than Bubach.

Bubach. It still holds its place in the favor of many growers—the leading pistillate variety for market; large, bright, color very evenly—just the size and color that is popular now.

Dear Sir

Sarasota, Fla., April 25, 15.

My last order for berry plants arrived O. K. I am recommending vour plants and manner of shipping to prospective growers. Yours truly, W. W. Gourley.

Dear Sir:

Riverhead, N. Y., April 22, 15,

The strawberry plants you sent me arrived in fine condition. Your method of packing is very good. I sent you a telegram today asking you for more plants, I am in a hurry. I am very well pleased with the short time it takes for plants to reach us from Maryland. They all come in good condition. The express rate is not very high. Thanking you for your promptness.

Yours very truly,

F. E. Peterson.

Michel's Early. Extra bright scarlet, conical—an old and popular variety and an excellent table berry of good flavor. Those who have a garden and want a few for eating purposes will do well to try it.

Glen Mary. A variety that is popular throughout New England and the Middle West. The berries are large, showy and of fair quality; immensely productive; good plant maker; deep rooted, resisting drouth; of a long season. Foliage is large, upright in growth, dark green in color, leaves nearly round, with dark, glossy surface; fruit stems large and strong. The berries continue large the whole season.

Nick Ohmer. Medium late; a strong, perfect blossom, and productive of rich, dark glossy red berries, colored all the way through; flavor delicious; berries nearly round; a good shipper, and suitable for fancy trade and table use. It is a great favorite in the South.

Success. One of the best and most popular of the midseason varieties. A good one.

Sharpless. Too well known to need any description, except as to its excellency as a table berry.

Clyde. A very large, most wonderfully prolific Strawberry, yields great crops of berries, slightly light in color, foliage sometimes insufficient to protect the berries from the sun, needs good rich soil, does best on moist soil.

Norwood. This plant was originated by L. J. Farmer of Pulaski, N. Y. It is the largest berry known, very firm and more productive than the Marshall. Four berries have been known to fill a quart basket. The plant is adapted to any climate, but is more productive in light sandy loam, or clay and sand mixed with chocolate cast. It does well all over the country. It is a new variety, and one that I can recommend. I have only a limited supply

Dear Sir:

Manatee, Fla., Sept. 22, 15.

The strawberry plants were received in first class condition and well packed. If you wish to consult us for reference we will be pleased to do so.

Yours truly,

H. & J. A. Coqoelin.

Dear Sir:

Chepachet, R. I., Oct., 4, 15.

The Progressive strawberry plants were received in good condition and every one is living and a few have begun to bloom. They are dandys. Please hold balance of order until spring. Thanking you for prompt attention, I am

Yours truly, Walter L. Sprague.

Dear Sir:

Windermere, Fla., Sept. 3, 15.

Plants received this morning, were cool and moist, and very satisfactory in all respects. Your package could not be improved upon. If your plants do well no doubt there will be more business for you in this community.

Yours truly.

A. H. Stafford.

## Fall-Bearing Strawberries

It is only within the past few years that a genuine fall bearing Strawberry has been an actual fact even though it has been agitated for several years.

You can set these plants in the early spring and keep the blossoms pruned off until about four weeks before you want ripe fruit and you will be surprised at the nice large, luscious berries you will have from them until it freezes. Just think, nice, large delicious Strawberries for four months in the year. It is a real fact. A few plants will make a small family all the berries they can use. Anyone can grow them and surely anyone can eat them. I have been frequently asked if the fall bearing berries were of good flavor, they most assuredly are. SUPERB and PROGRESSIVE are the 20th Century wonders. Give them a trial.

Progressive. A genuine everbearer. This is without doubt the best of the everbearers. Here the plants are of good size, deep-rooted and make as many plants as most of the standard varieties. On many single plants, without forcing, I have counted at one time from ten to fifteen fruit-stalks, and each fruit-stalk contained from ten to twenty-five green and ripe berries. The fruit is of medium size, dark-red and of extra quality. The young plants begin to bear in about four weeks from setting but to obtain good plant beds the blossoms should be kept cut off, especially during the early part of the season. The runners from the young plants also bear plenty of fruit even before they are rooted. My plants of this variety have made splendid plant-beds and produced plenty of fruit in five months, so if you like fresh berries all summer and fall, plant Progressive as it is all that is claimed for it.

Superb. Another of the fall-bearers. This also has made a splendid bed of large deep-rooted plants, but the young plants do not produce fruit the first season. The second season it produces fruit the same as any other variety and in the fall also produces a full crop. The fruit is large, dark red, good quality.

Dear Sir:

Pinellas Park, Oct. 11, 15.

The plants came in good shape. They were missent but were allright when we got them. Inclosed find check for same. Thanks for the extra ones.

Yours truly,

Copeland & Copeland.

Dear Sir:

Salerno, Fla., Feb. 8, 15.

Inclosed find order for 50 Plymouth Rock eggs. In regards the Strawberry plants I received of you last fall: they came in first class condition and have done well. I shall want more next fall.

Yours truly,

N. McCallum.

Dear Sir:

Oswego, N. Y., April 9, 15.

The strawberry plants arrived today. They were nicely packed and in excellent condition. Plants had large, healthy crowns and fine roots. Am very much pleased with them. I wish you would name me a better price on 5000 more of the same variety.

Yours truly, F. E. Miller.

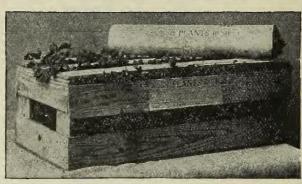
## Price-List of Strawberry, Raspberry and Dewberry Plants

Extra Early	1000	Medium 1000			
Per Pride of Somerset		Per McKinley 2 75			
Per Ewell's Early		Per Pride of Michigan 2 75			
Per Early Ozark		Imp Fendall 2 75			
Per Excelsior		Per SHARPLESS 3 00			
Per Missionary Per Oaks Early		Per Three W's			
Per Oaks Early		Per Bethel			
Per Chipman		Per Norwood			
Per Michels Early		Imp Sample			
Early		Per Nick Ohmer 2 50			
Per Lady Corneille	3 00	Per Brandywine         2 50           Per Gibson         3 00			
Per Maples Early	2 75	Per Heritage 2 75			
Per Lady Thompson	250	Per Abington 3 00			
Per Klondyke Per Senator Dunlap	2 25	Per Clyde 2 50			
Per Helen Davis	3 00	Per Success 3 00			
Per Superior		Per Wilson 3 00			
Medium		Per Jessie         3 00           Per Wolverton         3 00			
Per Bismark	3 00	Late			
Imp Warfield		Per Rewastico 3 25			
Imp Haverland		Per Pride of Cumberland 2 50			
Per Tennessee Prolific		Per Aroma 3 00			
Per Glen Mary Per Wm. Belt		Per Stevens Late Champion 2 75 Per Joe Johnson or Big Joe 3 50			
Per Wm. Belt Per Parsons Beauty		Per Joe Johnson or Big Joe 3 50 Per Son's Prolific 3 00			
Per New York		Very Late			
Per Uncle Jim		Imp Kellogg's Prize 3 25			
Per Ryckman		Per Gandy 2 25			
Imp Bubach		Per Chesapeake 3 25			
Per Oswego		Per Mascot 2 75			
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Varieties of plants		Varieties of plants priced at			
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75 Plants		75 Plants			
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Per Superb		\$1 00			
DEWBERRY PLANTS. Austin and Lucretia 75c per 100, \$5.00 per 1000.					
HORSE-RADISH ROOTS					
RASPBERRY PLANTS					
		\$1.50 per 100, \$8.00 per 1000			
Cumberland (Black cap)		1.50 per 100, 7.00 per 1000			
Gregg (Black cap)		1.50 per 100, 7.00 per 1000			

## Vegetable Plants

Why take chances on your crop when you can buy plants that Will be profitable to you from the start.

Plants That Grow



Prices Right

All Varieties are grown from high quality seeds, packed in ventilated packages, to reach you promptly in good condition. We prefer to send small orders [2000 plants or less] by Parcels Post, but for your benefit must insist that you give both Express and Post Office address plainly, and state distance to each. Large orders will come express paid. You need pay no postage or express charges on vegetable plants. Safe delivery guaranteed. Terms: Cash with order. Note change of prices under different dates.

All varieties are grown. Mention what you prefer. When no variety names are mentioned we will send what we believe will give you best results.

### Transplanted Plants

Ready March 15th to June 25th

#### Asters, Beets & Lettuce

Doz. 10c, 3 Doz. 25c, 100 60c, 500 \$1.85, 1000 \$3.40.

#### Early Cabbage & Tomato

Doz. 15c, 2 Doz. 25c, 100 90c, 500 \$3.25, 1000 \$5.50.

#### Mammoth Pansies. In Bloom

Doz. 50c, 3 Doz. \$1.00, 100 \$3.75, 1000 \$27.75.

#### Caulifiower & Pepper

Doz. 20c. 100 95c. 500 \$3.75. 1000 \$6.75.

Ready April 25th.

#### Coleus & Scarlet Sage

Doz. 60c, 100 \$3.90.

#### Early Celery

White Plume & Golden Self Bleaching Doz. 10c, 3 Doz. 25c, 100 60c, 500 \$2.65, 1000 \$4.50.

#### Everybody's Favorite Plant Collection

A complete Family Garden, twelve dozen plants, actual value \$1.50. Parcel Post paid to you for only \$1.00.

2 Doz. Early Beets 2 Doz. Early Celery
2 Doz. Early Cabbage 2 Doz. Head Lettuce
1 Doz. Midsummer Cabbage 1 Doz. Early Tomato
1 Doz. Early Cauliflower 1 Doz. Main Crop Tomato

Much valuable time is saved when a large number of orders can be put up that are exactly alike. Why not buy this collection and receive the benefit of this saving? It is made up of the best varieties and is arranged so you will have a nice succession of vegetables thru-out the entire summer, and will add to your pleasure as well as your profits.

#### Egg Plant

Doz. 25c, 3 Doz. 65c, 100 \$1.55, 500 \$5.50, 1000 \$9.75

#### Sweet Potatoes

Doz. 10c, 100 45c, 500 \$1.75, 1000 \$2.90, 5000 \$13.75

### Field Grown Plants

Ready May 25th.

Millions of field grown plants are grown and shipped to almost every state in the Union. It matters not how large or how small your order may be, it will pay you to buy from me.

#### Cabbage, Beets & Lettuce

Doz. 10c, 3 Doz. 25c, 100 45c, 500 \$1.00, 1000 \$1.50, 5000 \$5.90.

#### Cauliflower

Doz. 15c, 2 Doz. 25c, 100 50c, 500 \$1.85 1000 \$2.90, 5000 \$12.90 Ready June 10th.

#### Tomato

Doz. 10c, 100 55c, 500 \$2.25, 1000 \$3.25, 5000 \$14.85 Ready June 25th.

#### Celery

#### Golden Self Bleaching

Doz. 10c, 4 Doz. 35c, 100 55c, 500 \$1.85, 1000 \$2.85, 5000 \$12.90

White Plume-Golden Heart-Giant Pascal-Winter Queen
Doz. 10c, 3 Doz. 25c, 100 45c, 500 \$1.15, 1000 \$2.00, 5000 \$9.50

## Berry Growers

I am prepared to supply your wants this spring in Berry plants, etc. I have a large stock of all varieties and have made the price low for this grade of stock. I want your order this season. I know that I furnish as good a grade of stock as anyone and much better grade than some. Therefore if you will compare price with quality I feel sure that I will receive your order. Northern Growers, I have had many inquiries asking me if I guarantee my plants to be as good as the ones purchased of the Northern Nurserymen. I do. You might ask me the question, How do I know? It is because my customers which use my plants from year to year say so. So do not hesitate to let me have your order.

### Notice to Grangers.

A discount of 10% will be allowed to all Brothers and Sisters, providing the trade card is used with order. Assuring you that I will treat you as a Brother or Sister in our dealings together, I remain, Yours fraternally.

Dear Sir:

Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., Sept. 24, 15.

I am in receipt of your letter of Sept. 21, and am pleased to state that both orders of plants reached me in fine condition. Thanking you for your prempt attention to my orders, I remain Yours very truly, C. A. Starbuck.

### Cow Peas

They are to my mind the greatast land improver that we can grow today. They are a great nitrogen gatherer and while they are gathering this nitrogen they are storing the other essential factors that go to build up the soil and besides they make an excellent hay to feed to your stock, if cured properly.

I am in the right climate to save seed that is sure to germinate and make a large crop of forage or seed. All the seed that I sell are new seed that was saved in the fall of 1915 which was one of the best falls that I know of to positively insure good germination. My stock of seed is very nice and I feel sure if you will let me have your order that you will not regret it. The varieties found below are all good ones and you will not make any mistake if you purchase either variety.

Varieties: GREY CROWDER, Whipporwill and Red Ripper. Write for price on small or large lots.

Dear Sir:

Myricks, Mass., April 29, 15.

Plants arrived on the 26th, inst. in fine condition. I like the looks of the roots and hope they will prove vigorous. Yours truly, Thos. Hooper.

# A Six Year Record of HALL'S IMPROVED GENUINE MARYLAND TWIN CORN

After a six year test I am thoroughly convinced that the Maryland Twin Corn is a wonder. In 1910 it produced 110 bushels per acre; in 1911 96 bushels per acre, in view of the fact that it was a very dry year; in 1912 112% bushels per acre; in 1913 100 bushels per acre; in 1914 75 bushels per acre. All the above yields were made without manure or fertilizer. In 1915 in the Boy's Corn Growing Contest of Dorchester county, Maryland, the MARYLAND TWIN far surpassed any other variety, with a yield of 109 bushels and 20 pounds. It also won First Prize at the MARYLAND CORN SHOW in Baltimore, Maryland, in November 1915.

It is immensely prolific, fine in quality and a wonderful producer of both grain and forage, I especially recommend this for ensilage, the foliage is abundant. It grows fron 10 to 12 feet high and has 2 to 4 ears on a single stalk. Ears from 7 to 11 inches long. The kernels are a nice, even, medium size, good keeper, an excellent corn for milling—the meal from this corn leing of the very finest quality—and unexcelled for making corn flakes of any kind. This corn shells so much better than any other variety of corn, two bushels of ears even full will shell out one bushel of corn that will weigh 58 pounds to the measured bushel. The ears have from 12 to 18 rows of deep kernels around a small white cob. It will grow well on light or heavy land. Stalks strong and will mature in 110 to 115 days. This is the most beautiful corn I ever saw, with a good per cent. of the ears 10 inches long. This corn does well in the South, East and West.

Price, \$1. per peck, \$1.60 per one-half bushel, \$2.75 per bushel, \$4.25 for 2 bushels. Sacks Free.

#### Improved Farmers' Favorite Golden Dent Corn

Light golden color and one of the best varieties of yellow corn ever grown. The cob carries a large amount of corn, the butts and tips are practically well covered with long, broad grains, grows very rapid and makes excellent ensilage. The ears are from 8 to 10 inches long, with 16 to 20 tows. The ears are large, the grain deep and broad. Cob red, medium size, ears are well set, 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet above ground. By careful selection we have bred out the barren stalk and a large percentage of the stalks have two ears. This corn, with a favorable season and soil will produce 80 to 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre. Produces a good crop on medium soils.

Price, same as above.

Dear Sir: Sydney, Fla., Feb. 28, 15.

The plants arrived all O. K. I am well pleased with them. They will all live. I like your method of packing.

Yours truly, H. C. Overstreet.



## Keeping Thoroughbred Poultry On The Farm

The most popular general purpose fowl is the Plymouth Rock. This breed keeps its good qualities under all conditions and surroundings. They seldom disappoint in generous egg production. There is not a breed in the American class that is more popular. The Perdue Agricultural Experiment Station of Indiana has published in a circular, No. 40, interesting information in regard to poultry raising in which various questions were asked, over 700 farmers replied. Plymouth Rocks predominated by a large majority. A flock of chickens on the farm that are all one color and shape surely presents a better appearance than a flock of a dozen colors. I firmly believe it will pay every farmer to keep only pure bred poultry. I agree to ship you nice fertile eggs from the breed that I sell, which will hatch if properly handled, regardless of distance. I deliver to the express company's office free of charge in good condition. I cannot guarantee any per cent to hatch but I am just as anxious that you secure a good hatch as you are to obtain good results from my eggs and if you do not get a satisfactory hatch, on proof I will duplicate your order at half price. Remember I guarantee to give each and every customer perfect satisfaction.

A few choice birds for sale. Price of Cockerels, \$3.00 to \$5.00.

Dear Sir: Adams Centre, N. Y., April 14, 15.

The Asparagus reached me in fine condition and am well pleased with it.

Yours truly.

E. S. Williams.

### Hall's Ringlet Barred Rocks

From exhibition stock. Barred Plymouth Rocks are my specialty, and my birds show careful breeding and true to type of Ringlet ancestors. They are good enough to show anywhere. I improve my stock from year to year from the best lines of Ringlet Barred Rocks, to keep up vigor. You need new blood such as I can furnish you to strengthen and build up your flock. My birds are heavy layers with years of careful breeding back of them. They have perfect health, shape and color. They are the kind that put money in your pockets. My mateings, this year are the best that I have ever had. I will put them together and compare them with the best in the land. You cannot get better stock than I will furnish you for double the price that I charge. There is no other breed so large and handsome nor easier to rear, they will lay all the year long, if given the proper care and attention. They are more profitable as a market fowl than any other, and as a table fowl they are unexcelled. They thrive anywhere and make plump bodies in 8 to 10 weeks. My birds have conditional vigor, health and stamina. My motto: FIRST QUALITY THEN QUANTITY. One special feature of Hall's Ringlet Barred Rocks is the regular Ringlet barring, clean and distinct to the skin, which is so much admired. I breed for shape and size as well as color and barring. By keeping only the one breed, they have the full range of the farm, therefore they are vigorous and healthy. They are excellent layers of large, rich eggs. My birds are shaped well, with good length of back; breast deep, form compact, combs finely set and small, legs are a bright yellow. At maturity the cockerels weigh from 9 to 11 pounds and the hens from 7 to 8 pounds. I get rid of the undesirable specimems and breed only from the birds that approach the standard of perfection. I have secured a fine type, large size and display of vigor which is sometimes lacking in thoroughbred stock. It is is better to buy a sitting of eggs from a yard in which all of the birds are of excellent quality rather than from a yard in which one or two of the birds are of phenomonal merit. Get eggs this spring to raise prize winners for the shows next winter.

Price of Eggs:-\$2. for 15, \$3.50 for 30, \$4.50 for 50, \$8. for 100.

Dear Sir:

Long Island, N. Y., March 8, 15.

Kindly quote us your lowest price on 3500 two year old Asparagus roots. We are very well pleased with the asparagus roots and strawberry plants we purchased of you last year. Our strawberry patch looks like a \$1000. and we only have a little over an acre. The asparagus is coming along nicely. Very truly yours,

Canaan Orchard Company.

Dear Sir:

St. Cloud, Fla., Oct. 14, 15.

The 7300 strawberry plants which you shipped Sept. 30th reached here Oct. 4th. They were in first class shape, well rooted and vigorous. The count was excellent. All have been set out. Your crating is light but durable and I can not see where you can improve on your method of packing. The plants you shipped to me were not uncrated until Oct. 5th. You may rest assured that it will be a pleasure to put in a good word for your plants whenever the opportunity occurs. Yours truly, A. Rothwell.

### **Asparagus Roots**

When planting Asparagus roots, set four to six inches deep, and about 12 inches apart in the row, covering with only three inches of soil at first and filling the trenches as the plants grow.

The Asparagus bed is apt to be neglected in the early fall. Before the first of September the tops should be cut, and the bed or field cleared of weeds. It is highly important that all seed should be taken off, as the greatest enemy the Asparagus has in the way of growth is weeds, and it is almost impossible to get clear of superfluous plants when once established. When this work is finished, cover the bed to the depth of three inches with coarse manure, which will not only enrich the soil, but it will keep out the frost, which is highly, essential.

The first work in the spring should be to remove all the covering except the fine manure, which should be carefully forked in, so that the crowns will not be injured by the prongs of the fork. Forking the beds should not be neglected, as the early admission of the sun and rain into the ground induces the plants to throw up shoots of superior size. Another step in the right direction is to keep the ground entirely free from weeds the entire season, as these take from the plants the strength required for their own growth and the Asparagus needs it all.

PRICES: One year, 100 50c; 1000 \$2.75. Two year, 100 80c; 1000 \$3.50.

Prices on application for smaller or larger lots than quoted above.

Conover's Collossal. Large, rapid grower, productive and of very fine quality.

Palmetto. Of Southern origin; a variety of excellent quality, hardy, very large. All who have used it pronounce it very fine.

Giant Argenteuil. This variety is largely grown in France, and has become adapted to our soil and climate, is noted for its earliness, productiveness and immense size of stalks. Remarkably healthy.

Barr's Mammoth. Early and very large; makes a rapid growth. A general favorite.

My plants are extra large Samples will be sent if requested.

Dear Sir: Dover, Fla., Feb. 26, 15.

Below you will find an order for strawberry plants. It was given to me that I had the finest berries that were shipped from Dover this season. Hence, I advertised your plants. More orders to follow. Yours truly, Hugh Gallagher.

Dear Sir:

Evansville, Ind., April 6, 15.

Please write me and tell me if you have any Chesapeake berry plants left in stock. All my friends I recommended you to, which purchased plants of you this season are convinced your plants are all you claim for them and even more. I will do everything I can D. H. Greathouse. for you in the way of a recommendation. Yours truly,

### PURE BRED SEED CORN

#### DIRECT FROM GROWER TO PLANTER

This is one of the best sections for growing seed corn, the season long and has plenty of time to mature. I fully realize the importance of growing it to insure a perfect and even stand.

First of all my crop is allowed to stand in the field, on the stalks until it is ready to be stored. In order that it may have the full benefit of wind and sun which is desirably the best method of curing it. When thoroughly cured it is then husked by hand, sorted and stored for the winter. Under this process it is in the best possible condition for spring planting.

When it comes time to ship for seed it is then carefully selected, sorted as to vitality, butt and tip ends are taken off before shelling and grading. All seed corn is shelled by hand as I find this is the way to have the best seed corn. The fall here was ideal for maturing corn and I have never had better matured seed to send to my customers. You should get good seed from a section that was favorable to maturing as this will always insure good stands.

My seed corn is carefully selected in the field with a view of constantly improving the breed. The improvement we have made is remarkable.

The difference in the cost of a few choice seed is nothing as compared with the extra yield you will get. I select my seed corn in the field from the very best developed ears.

One bushel of seed will plant from 5 to 6 acres. If seed is not satisfactory when received it can be returned at once, at my expense and money paid for it will be refunded.

SEED CORN ON EARS can be furnished if wanted. Price on application. If you had a poor stand of corn last year do not repeat the same, this year, when you can get seed that is high in germination of me.

Dear Sir:

Pinellas Park, Fla., Oct. 15, 15.

Please pardon my neglect in acknowledging the receipt of strawberry plants. They arrived in good condition and by waiting can tell you they are doing fine, almost everyone is growing.

Yours sincerely, Frank H. Redgrave.

Dear Sir:

Geneva, Fla., Oct. 1, 15.

I received the strawberry plants in good shape. I thank you for the extras. The order was divided between nine of us, who are all well pleased and report the plants doing well. I don't think I will have to replant more than a dozen out of more than six hundred. The Lady Corneille seems to be starting faster than the Missionary.

Yours truly, Chas. Phillips.

Dear Sir:

Cambridge, Md., March 27, 15.

The strawberry plants arrived all O. K. They are fine, I have never seen better ones.

Yours truly,

Albert H. Smith.

## The Pride of Somerset is a Winner

#### READ THESE TESTIMONIALS

Dear Sir:—I take pleasure in complimenting you on your fine strawberry. I think the Pride of Somerset is one of the finest berries that grow. It is large, the stems stand up and hold the berries off the ground, preventing them from getting grifty and full of sand. The berry is a beautiful red in color and has a most delicious flavor, not too tart and not too sweet. I found the Pride of Somerset all that you recommended it to be and I recommend it as a fine berry for the market as well as a table berry.

Yours respectfully,

L. L. Cheezum,

Vienna, Md.

Dear Sir:—I feel that I must write you in reference to the berries that I saw growing on your farm last summer, especially the Pride of Somerset. I think it to be all that you can say or claim for it. In my estimation it is the finest I ever saw of the very early varieties and will not hesitate to say your other varieties were fine. As a table berry and shipper it cannot be excelled. Wishing you success, I remain as ever, yours,

Rhodesdale, Md.

S. Peyton Vane.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have visited the farm of Mr. J. Keifford Hall and there I saw his large strawberry patches and among the many fine varieties, I saw the Pride of Somerset, which was as beautiful as any I ever saw; large, fine color and very solid, making it a fine shipping berry. The flavor cannot be excelled, they were in large clusters, showing them to be prolific bearers. I do not think anyone would go wrong in purchasing some of these plants.

Respectfully yours,

Rhodesdale, Md.

Wm. L. Rhodes.

Dear Sir:

Kissimmee, Florida.

The Strawberry plants arrived O. K. and were in fine condition. I think your method of packing for long distance shipping is the best I ever saw. I think I shall still want another small order this fall, if I can get around to ordering it before too late. Yours very truly, H. B. Hudson.

Dear Sir:

Bartow, Florida.

Plants received in good condition. Thanking you for sending me the shortage. We have very heavy rains here at present. Hoping you will be successful in your plant sales, I remain Yours truly, D. M. Reddin.

#### ORDER SHEET

# J. Keifford Hall, Rhodesdale, Maryland. SMALL FRUIT SPECIALIST

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### Some Planting Suggestions

All varieties of the Strawberry give the greatest yield and the largest berries when grown in rich soil; hence no pains should be spared in preparing the bed carefully before planting, by digging or plowing deeply and turning under a liberal application of well-rotted manure. Pulverize the surface soil thoroughly with harrow and rake, and if a top-dressing of ground bone can be applied, it will be found a great benefit at fruiting time. Select a location where the soil is moist and deep if possible—moist and yet where water does not stand near or upon the surface In such a soil well-enriched, Strawberries delight and give marvelous results. They will, however, succeed upon any soil if well manured. Strawberries do not succeed when planted in shady locations; hence in selecting a plot for them be careful to avoid places that are shaded by trees.

For hill culture in the family garden, set plants in rows two feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows; or if to be worked by horse and cultivator, have the rows three feet and the plants one foot apart in the row. In either case, cut off the runners as they appear. If to be grown in matted rows, plant in rows three and one-half or four feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows, permitting the runners to set in the row so as to be about six inches apart each way. The after-culture consists in keeping the soil mellow and free from weeds by frequent hoeing and cultivation. If you live in the North, where you are subject to severe freezes, I would advise you to mulch your plants. At the approach of winter (as soon as the ground is frozen sufficiently to support the weight of horse and cart) cover the entire bed with straw or other loose light material. Light strawy manure is excellent for this purpose, and the soluble portion leaches into the soil and affords nourishment to the plants, while the fibrous portion remains upon the surface as a mulch. Evergreen branches are very useful for holding the mulch in place and are of themselves a protection. When the plants start growth in spring, rake the mulch from off the plants sufficiently to permit them to push through it. and leave it on the surface about the plants to protect the fruit and keep it clean and also keep the soil moist and cool. An application of unleached wood-ashes or muriate of potash along the rows very early in spring, just before a rainfall, will be found to increase the size, beauty and flavor of the berries.

#### SHIPMENTS BY PARCELS POST.

Plants of all kinds are now admitted to the mails as Fourth Class Matter; maximum weight, 50 pounds in the first and second zones, 20 pounds in all other zones. We cannot send any stock in Canada by mail, it must go by express as plants from the United States are excluded from the mails by the Canadian authorities. We are giving estimate of weight of plants when packed for shipment but as plants vary so much it is impossible to give the exact weight as some varieties grow very much larger than others. Please be sure and send enough postage, if you send more than is required, all over, if only one cent, will be returned to you—we will not keep one cent of your money. Please remember that the full amount of postage has to be paid when we send plants, etc. by mail, and if you do not send enough to pay postage, your order will go by Express Collect, as we cannot keep accounts and send bills for small amounts of postage. In all cases shipments weighing 6 pounds or more, go more cheaply by express than by mail to points west of the Mississippi river. Packages of any considerable size can be shipped better to all points by express than by mail, and usually at less cost, as express rates have lately been cut from 20 to 50 per cent. on trees and plants, which means quite an item for fruit growers all over the country.

## FALL PLANTS

I am making this one of my specialties. I am in the right climate to furnish plants of the very best quality at this season of the year. I will furnish plants the last of August. You will have to write for prices as I do not issue a price list until about the first of September. I do not like to furnish plants until about Sept. 15th but will do so if my customers cannot wait until then. I have shipped fall plants from Maine to California and they have given universal satisfaction. When making up your fall list, send it to me and I am sure you will be pleased with the stock I send you.

When you receive this catalog and you do not want to order this spring put it somewhere so you can find it in the fall. Prices you find here are not fall prices. There is a great loss in taking up plants in the fall so I am compelled to charge a higher price to insure you of getting nothing but well rooted plants that will live through the winter. Please bear this in mind—when you buy of HALL, spring or fall, you get what you buy, and plants that will grow and produce large crops.

# GIANT HIMALAYA BERRY FRUITS FOR FOUR MONTHS

This wonderful berry which is sometimes called Grape-Vine Berry was recently introduced from the cold regions of the Himalaya Mountains. There are several different forms of it, but this one seems to be the only one of genuine value. It grows like a grape vine, making a growth of twenty-five feet, and can be trained to a trellis of any kind. It looks handsome on an arbor in the garden, back yard or in the lawn, forming a great bush or weeping tree that is a beautiful sight when in bloom with its shell pink blossoms.

It begins to fruit in July and continues to produce fruit until October, the plants growing larger and producing more fruit each year. There is no berry in existence like it. The fruit is large, black in color, almost coreless, and unsurpassed for eating, picked fresh from vines or cooked, canned or preserved in any form. Plants do well in the hot, dry sections of the South and West and are making wonderful records in the Middle, Northern and Eastern States.

This is certainly a most wonderful berry because the vines do not die down after fruiting, as is the case with other berries, but continue to live and grow year after year like a grape vine or apple tree. It is perfectly hardy everywhere, there being no winter in the United States too severe to kill it. It has stood 20 degrees below zero, with no sign of winter killing.

It is valuable for city people or anyone with limited space who desires an abundance of luscious berries. Price of strong, well rooted plants: 15c each, 3 for 30c, 6 for 50c, 100 for \$5.00.